

SURVEY OF INCOME AND PROGRAM PARTICIPATION,  
2008 PANEL WAVE 13 TOPICAL MODULE FILE DATA DICTIONARY

DATA	SIZE	BEGIN
D SSUSEQ	5	1
T SU: Sequence Number of Sample Unit - Primary Sort Key		
U All persons		
V	1:65000	.Sequence Number
D SSUID	12	6
T SU: Sample Unit Identifier		
Sample Unit identifier This identifier is created by scrambling together the PSU, Segment, Serial, Serial Suffix of the original sample address. It may be used in matching sample units from different waves.		
U All persons		
V	000000000000:999999999999	.Scrambled Id
D SPANEL	4	18
T SU: Sample Code - Indicates Panel Year		
U All persons		
V	2008	.Panel Year
D SWAVE	2	22
T SU: Wave of data collection		
There were 16 waves of data collection in the 2008 Panel Universe = All persons		
V	1:16	.Wave of data collection
D SROTATON	1	24
T SU: Rotation of data collection		
Rotation within wave. Each wave of data is collected over a four calendar month period. The rotation field indicates which month within the wave a particular interview was conducted.		
U All persons		
V	1:4	.Rotation of data collection
D TFIPSST	2	25
T HH: FIPS State Code		
FIPS State Code Federal Information Processing Standards state (and state equivalent) code for the 50 states, and DC.		
U All persons		
V	01	.Alabama
V	02	.Alaska
V	04	.Arizona

V	05	.Arkansas
V	06	.California
V	08	.Colorado
V	09	.Connecticut
V	10	.Delaware
V	11	.DC
V	12	.Florida
V	13	.Georgia
V	15	.Hawaii
V	16	.Idaho
V	17	.Illinois
V	18	.Indiana
V	19	.Iowa
V	20	.Kansas
V	21	.Kentucky
V	22	.Louisiana
V	23	.Maine
V	24	.Maryland
V	25	.Massachusetts
V	26	.Michigan
V	27	.Minnesota
V	28	.Mississippi
V	29	.Missouri
V	30	.Montana
V	31	.Nebraska
V	32	.Nevada
V	33	.New Hampshire
V	34	.New Jersey
V	35	.New Mexico
V	36	.New York
V	37	.North Carolina
V	38	.North Dakota
V	39	.Ohio
V	40	.Oklahoma
V	41	.Oregon
V	42	.Pennsylvania
V	44	.Rhode Island
V	45	.South Carolina
V	46	.South Dakota
V	47	.Tennessee
V	48	.Texas
V	49	.Utah
V	50	.Vermont
V	51	.Virginia
V	53	.Washington
V	54	.West Virginia
V	55	.Wisconsin
V	56	.Wyoming

D SHHADID        3        27

T SU: Hhld Address ID differentiates hhlds in  
sample unit

Household Address ID. This field  
differentiates households within the  
sample PSU, segment, serial, serial  
suffix; that is, households spawned from  
an original sample household. Universe =

All persons

V     011:169 .Household Address ID

D EOUTCOME     3     30

T HH: Interview Status code for this household

U All persons in households

V     201 .Completed interview

V     203 .Compl. partial- missing data; no

V     .TYPE-Z

V     207 .Complete partial - TYPE-Z; no

V     .futher followup

V     213 .TYPE-A, language problem

V     216 .TYPE-A, no one home (noh)

V     217 .TYPE-A, temporarily absent (ta)

V     218 .TYPE-A, hh refused

V     219 .TYPE-A, other occupied (specify)

V     234 .TYPE-B, entire hh institut. or

V     .temp. ineligible

V     248 .TYPE-C, other (specify)

V     249 .TYPE-C, sample adjustment

V     250 .TYPE-C, hh deceased

V     251 .TYPE-C, moved out of country

V     252 .TYPE-C, living in armed forces

V     .barracks

V     253 .TYPE-C, on active duty in Armed

V     .Forces

V     254 .TYPE-C, no one over age 15 years

V     .in household

V     255 .TYPE-C, no Wave 1 persons

V     .remaining in household

V     260 .TYPE-D, moved address unknown

V     .-SPAWN

V     261 .TYPE-D, moved within U.S. but

V     .outside SIPP -SPAWN

V     262 .TYPE-C, merged with another SIPP

V     .household

V     270 .TYPE-C, mover, no longer located

V     .in FR's area -PARENT

V     271 .TYPE-C, mover, new address

V     .located in same FR's area

V     .-PARENT

V     280 .TYPE-D, mover, no longer located

V     .in FR's assignment area

V     .-SPAWN

D RFID     3     33

T FA: Family ID Number for this month

Family ID number may be used to identify all persons in the same family in a given month. This ID is used for primary families, unrelated subfamilies, and primary and secondary individuals. Persons in related subfamilies have the primary family ID in this field.

U All persons

V     1:120 .Family ID number

D RFID2            3        36  
 T FA: Family ID excluding related subfamily  
     members  
         Family ID number excluding members of  
         related subfamilies. This ID is used for  
         all persons except related subfamily  
         members.  
 U All persons except those in related subfamilies  
     (excludes persons with ESFTYPE = 2)  
 V            -1 .Not in Universe  
 V            1:120 .Family ID number

D EPPIDX           3        39  
 T PE: Person index  
     Person index. This field differentiates  
     persons within the sample unit. Person  
     index is unique within the sample unit  
     and            wave.  
 U All persons  
 V            1:999 .Person index

D EENTAID         3        42  
 T PE: Address ID of hhld where person entered  
     sample  
         Address ID of the household that this  
         person belonged to at the time this person  
         first became part of the sample. Universe  
         =            All persons  
 V            011:169 .Entry Address ID

D EPPNUM           4        45  
 T PE: Person number  
     Person number. This field differentiates  
     persons within the sample unit. Person  
     number is unique within the sample unit.  
     Universe =            All persons  
 V            0101:1699 .Person Number

D EPOPSTAT        1        49  
 T PE: Population status based on age in 4th  
     reference month  
         Population status. This field identifies  
         whether or not a person was eligible to be  
         asked a full set of questions, based on  
         his/her age in the fourth month of the  
         reference period.  
 U All persons  
 V            1 .Adult (15 years of age or older)  
 V            2 .Child (Under 15 years of age)

D EPPINTVW        2        50  
 T PE: Person's interview status  
  
 U All persons  
 V            1 .Interview (self)  
 V            2 .Interview (proxy)

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V          3 .Noninterview - Type Z
V          4 .Noninterview - pseudo Type Z.
V          .Left sample during the
V          .reference period
V          5 .Children under 15 during
V          .reference period

D EPPMIS4      1      52
T PE: Person's 4th month interview status
      Person's interview status for month 4
U All persons
V          1 .Interview
V          2 .Non-interview

D ESEX         1      53
T PE: Sex of this person

U All persons
V          1 .Male
V          2 .Female

D ERACE        1      54
T PE: The race(s) the respondent is
      What race(s) does ... consider
      herself/himself to be? 1 White 2 Black or
      African American 3 American Indian or
      Alaska Native 4 Asian 5 Native Hawaiian or
      Other Pacific Islander
U All persons
V          1 .White alone
V          2 .Black alone
V          3 .Asian alone
V          4 .Residual

D EORIGIN      2      55
T PE: Spanish, Hispanic or Latino
      Is ... Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?
U All persons
V          1 .Yes
V          2 .No

D WPFINWGT    10      57
T WW: Person weight
      Final person weight Four implied decimal
      places.
U All persons
V 0.0000:99999.9999 .Final person weight

D ERRP        2      67
T PE: Household relationship

U All persons
V          1 .Reference person with related
V          .persons in household
V          2 .Reference Person without related
V          .persons in household
V          3 .Spouse of reference person

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V           4 .Child of reference person  
 V           5 .Grandchild of reference person  
 V           6 .Parent of reference person  
 V           7 .Brother/sister of reference person  
 V           8 .Other relative of reference person  
 V           9 .Foster child of reference person  
 V          10 .Unmarried partner of reference  
            .person  
 V          11 .Housemate/roommate  
 V          12 .Roomer/boarder  
 V          13 .Other non-relative of reference  
            .person

D TAGE           2       69

T PE: Age as of last birthday

Edited and imputed age as of last  
 birthday. Topcoding combines persons into  
 last two single year of age groups. User  
 should combine last two age groups for  
 microdata analysis.

U All persons

V           0 .Less than 1 full year old  
 V          1:88 .Number of years old

D EMS           1       71

T PE: Marital status

U All adults (EPOPSTAT = 1)

V           1 .Married, spouse present  
 V           2 .Married, spouse absent  
 V           3 .Widowed  
 V           4 .Divorced  
 V           5 .Separated  
 V           6 .Never Married

D EPNSPOUS       4       72

T PE: Person number of spouse

Universe =                   All persons

V 0101:1699 .Person Number  
 V       9999 .Spouse not in household or person  
 V            .not married

D EPNMOM       4       76

T PE: Person number of mother

Universe =                   All persons

V 0101:1699 .Person Number  
 V       9999 .No mother in household

D EPNDAD       4       80

T PE: Person number of father

Universe =                   All persons

V 0101:1699 .Person Number  
 V       9999 .No father in household

D EPNGUARD       4       84

T PE: Person number of guardian

Universe =                   All persons, 19

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        years and under  TAGE
V      -1 .Not in Universe
V 0101:1699 .Person Number
V      9999 .Guardian not in household

D RDESGPNT      2      88
T PE: Designated parent or guardian flag
      Is ... the designated parent or guardian
      of children under age 18 who live in this
      household?
U All persons 15+ at the end of the reference
  period.  EPOPSTAT = 1
V      -1 .Not in Universe
V      1 .Yes
V      2 .No

D EEDUCATE      2      90
T ED: Highest Degree received or grade completed
      What is the highest level of school ...
      has completed or the highest degree ...
      has received?
U All persons age 15 and over
V      -1 .Not in Universe
V      31 .Less Than 1st Grade
V      32 .1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th grade
V      33 .5th Or 6th Grade
V      34 .7th Or 8th Grade
V      35 .9th Grade
V      36 .10th Grade
V      37 .11th Grade
V      38 .12th grade, no diploma
V      39 .High School Graduate - (diploma
V      .or GED or equivalent)
V      40 .Some college, but no degree
V      41 .Diploma or certificate from a
V      .vocational, technical,
V      .trade or business school
V      .beyond high
V      43 .Associate (2-yr) college degree
V      .(include
V      .academic/occupational
V      .degree)
V      44 .Bachelor's degree (for example:
V      .BA, AB, BS)
V      45 .Master's degree (For example: MA,
V      .MS, MEng, MEd, MSW, MBA)
V      46 .Professional School degree (for
V      .example: MD(doctor), DDS(dentist), JD(la-
V      .wyer)
V      47 .Doctorate degree (for example:
V      .Ph.D., Ed.D)

D LGTKEY      8      92
T PE: Person longitudinal key
      NOTE: This variable is not used on the
      Preliminary Wave 1 file. The longitudinal
      key is in sort by scrambled id (SSUID).

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The first five digits of the key contain a longitudinal sequence number which is unique for the sample unit across all waves. The last three digits contain a person's index which identifies a person within a sample unit and is unique for a person across all waves. This key can be used to merge people longitudinally.

U All persons

V 1001:70000001 .Longitudinal Key

D SINTHHID 3 100

T SU: Hhld Address ID of person in interview month

Address ID of this person at time of interview (fifth month). Universe =  
All persons

V 0 .Not In Universe

V 011:169 .Household Address ID

D EAECUNV 2 103

T AEC: Universe indicator.

Universe indicator. Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16)

V -1 .Not in Universe

V 1 .In universe

D IPROCERT 2 105

T AEC: Have a professional or state or industry cert

PROCERT Now I'd like to ask you about professional certification and licensure. Did ... have a professional certification or state or industry license? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16)

V -2 .Refused

V -1 .Don't know

V 0 .Not answered

V 1 .Yes

V 2 .No

D IWHOPCER 2 107

T AEC: Who awarded this certification or license

WHOPCERT The next set of questions refers to ...'s MOST RECENT certification or license. Who awarded this certification or license? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and  
IPROCERT=1

V -2 .Refused

V -1 .Don't know

V 0 .Not answered

V 1 .Federal government

V 2 .State government



V           3 .Local government  
V           4 .Industry  
V           5 .Business, company, or non-profit  
V                .organization  
V           6 .Professional Association  
V           7 .Other

D IWHYPCER     2     109

T AEC: Mainly for work-related or personal  
interest

WHYPCERT Did ... get this certification or  
license mainly for work-related reasons or  
mainly for personal interest? \*\*NOTE: This  
variable has not been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge  
16) and IPROCERT=1

V           -2 .Refused  
V           -1 .Don't know  
V            0 .Not answered  
V            1 .Mainly work-related  
V            2 .Mainly personal interest

D IFLDPCER     2     111

T AEC: Major subject or field of study

FLDPCERT What is the major subject or  
field of study for this certification or  
license? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not  
been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and  
IPROCERT=1

V           -2 .Refused  
V           -1 .Don't know  
V            0 .Not answered  
V            1 .Architecture and engineering  
V            2 .Computer networking and  
V                administration  
V            3 .Computer applications and design  
V            4 .Business/finance management  
V            5 .Administrative support  
V            6 .Nursing/nurse assisting  
V            7 .Other medical/health care  
V            8 .Cosmetology  
V            9 .Culinary arts  
V           10 .Protective services  
V           11 .Legal and social services  
V           12 .Education  
V           13 .Construction and manufacturing  
V                .trades  
V           14 .Transportation and material moving  
V           15 .Public utilities  
V           16 .Other

D IJOBPCER     2     113

T AEC: Can cert be used to get a job

JOBPCERT Can this certification or license  
be used if ... wanted to get a job with  
any employer in that field?

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(CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES THAT ARE
RECOGNIZED STATE-WIDE SHOULD BE RECORDED
AS "YES".) **NOTE: This variable has not
been edited** Universe =
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and
IPROCERT=1
V          -2 .Refused
V          -1 .Don't know
V           0 .Not answered
V           1 .Yes
V           2 .No

D IRJPCERT      2      115
T AEC: Is certification or license required
  REQJOBPCERT Is this certification or
  license required for ...'s current or most
  recent job? **NOTE: This variable has not
  been edited** Universe =
  All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and
  IPROCERT=1
V          -2 .Refused
V          -1 .Don't know
V           0 .Not answered
V           1 .Yes
V           2 .No
V           3 .Not applicable(never worked)

D ITRNPCER      2      117
T AEC: Take course or training to earn cert or
  license
  TRNPCERT Did ... take courses or training
  to earn the certification or license?
  **NOTE: This variable has not been
  edited** Universe =          All
  persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and
  IPROCERT=1
V          -2 .Refused
V          -1 .Don't know
V           0 .Not answered
V           1 .Yes
V           2 .No

D IEXPCERT      2      119
T AEC: Demo skills take test or exam to earn
  cert or license
  EXAMPCERT Did ... have to demonstrate
  skills while on the job or pass a test or
  exam to earn the certification or license?
  **NOTE: This variable has not been
  edited** Universe =          All
  persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and
  IPROCERT=1
V          -2 .Refused
V          -1 .Don't know
V           0 .Not answered
V           1 .Yes
V           2 .No

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D ICDPCERT 2 121

T AEC: Take test or class or earn CEUs

ICDPCERT Did ... have to take periodic tests or continuing education classes or earn CEUs to maintain the certification or license? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and IPROCERT=1

V -2 .Refused  
V -1 .Don't know  
V 0 .Not answered  
V 1 .Yes  
V 2 .No

D ICERT 2 123

T AEC: Ever earned this type of certificate

ICERT Some people decide to enroll at a college, university, community college, or trade school to earn a certificate rather than a degree. Has ... ever earned this type of certificate? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16)

V -2 .Refused  
V -1 .Don't know  
V 0 .Not answered  
V 1 .Yes  
V 2 .No

D IFLDCERT 2 125

T AEC: MOST RECENT completed certificate

FLDCERT The next set of questions refers to ...'s MOST RECENT completed certificate. What is the major subject or field of study for this certificate? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not been edited\*\* Universe = All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and ICERT=1

V -2 .Refused  
V -1 .Don't know  
V 0 .Not answered  
V 1 .Architecture and engineering  
V 2 .Communications  
V .technologies/technologists  
V 3 .Computer and information sciences  
V 4 .Engineering and related  
V .technologies  
V 5 .Business management  
V 6 .Business support  
V 7 .Marketing  
V 8 .Health professions, except nursing  
V 9 .Nursing  
V 10 .Health technologists and  
V .technicians  
V 11 .Health aides

V 12 .Cosmetology  
 V 13 .Culinary arts  
 V 14 .Personal services(other than  
 V .cosmetology and culinary  
 V .arts)  
 V 15 .Protective services  
 V 16 .Public and social services(other  
 V .than protective services)  
 V 17 .Education  
 V 18 .Construction trades  
 V 19 .Manufacturing  
 V 20 .Mechanic and repair technologies  
 V 21 .Transportation and material moving  
 V 22 .OTHER

D ISCHCERT 2 127

T AEC: Type of school or organization  
 SCHLCERT What type of school or  
 organization provided the certificate  
 program? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not  
 been edited\*\* Universe =  
 All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and  
 ICERT=1

V -2 .Refused  
 V -1 .Don't know  
 V 0 .Not answered  
 V 1 .A community college  
 V 2 .A university or college other  
 V .than a community college  
 V 3 .A trade, vocational, technical,  
 V .or business school  
 V 4 .Business or company  
 V 5 .Professional organization  
 V 6 .Trade union  
 V 7 .Non-profit organization  
 V 8 .Federal, state, or local  
 V .government  
 V 9 .Military  
 V 10 .Someplace else

D ISDYCERT 2 129

T AEC: Mainly self-study or classes or course  
 STUDYCERT Was the training for this  
 certificate mainly self-study or mainly  
 classes or courses with an instructor?  
 \*\*NOTE: This variable has not been  
 edited\*\* Universe = All  
 persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and ICERT=1

V -2 .Refused  
 V -1 .Don't know  
 V 0 .Not answered  
 V 1 .Mainly self-study  
 V 2 .Mainly Instructor

D ITIMCERT 2 131

T AEC: How long to earn certificate  
 TIMECERT How long did it take to earn this

certificate? \*\*NOTE: This variable has not  
been edited\*\* Universe =  
All persons age 16+ (TAGE ge 16) and  
ICERT=1

V	-2	.Refused
V	-1	.Don't know
V	0	.Not answered
V	1	.Less than one week
V	2	.One week to one month
V	3	.More than one month